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C. I. D. REGIST
No. I. O. D. 1357
Date 16 - 6 - 30.

June 16, 30.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter, No. 800B COS:NLH, dated June 6, 1930, and to inform you that Charles "Sunset" Cox has resided at the Savoy Hotel, Broadway, since June 1929. He has spent many years in the East and, prior to residing in Shanghai, lived in the Philippine Islands where he was, for a considerable time, on the staff of the "Manila Bulletin". At present he writes articles for the "China Press", but is not employed in a permanent capacity.

It would appear that Cox is an educated man who is more familiar with other circumstances than those under which he is living at present. His sister, the wife of Mr. Frank Vanderlip, a wealthy American financier, until recently contibuted towards his support. He is believed to be in receipt of a small pension from the American Government for former military service. This, together with the money he receives from the articles accepted by the "China Press", is chiefly expended in drink.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Deputy Commissioner
(Crime & Special Branches).

Edwin S. Cunningham Esq.,
American Consul-General,
Shanghai.

Special Branch
No. 2.

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June 13, 1930.

Sir,

Reference the attached letter from the American Consul General.

Charles "Sunset" Cox has been residing at the Savoy Hotel, Broadway, since June 1929. He has spent many years in the East and previous to taking up residence in Shanghai, lived in the Phillipine Islands and was for some considerable time on the staff of the "Manila Bulletin." At present he writes articles for the "China Press," but is not employed by that paper in a permanent capacity.

He appears to be a man of some education who has come down in the world and is more familiar with other circumstances than those under which he is at present living. His sister, the wife of Mr. Frank Vanderlip, a wealthy American financier, it is understood, until recently contributed towards his support.

He is believed to be in receipt of a small pension from the American Government for former military service. This along with money he receives from the articles accepted by the "China Press" is chiefly expended in drink.

W. Moore.
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13-6-30.

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(C. & S. Branches)

Reg. Please draft reply to U. S. Consul letter giving the above information.
14/6/30.

In reply refer to
800B COS:NLH

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL
C. I. D. REGISTRY
No. D.1357
Date 16 6 30

American Consulate General,
Shanghai, China, June 6, 1930.

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Subject: Inquiry regarding Charles "Sunset" Cox.

R. C. Aiers, Esquire,
Assistant Commissioner of Police,
Director of Criminal Investigation Department,
18 Hankow Road,
Shanghai, China.

Sir:

It will be sincerely appreciated if you can supply this office with any information you may have concerning one Charles "Sunset" Cox.

Yours faithfully,

Edwin S. Cunningham

Edwin S. Cunningham,
American Consul General.

Foreign Section,
For investigation and report please.

JHG
7/6/30